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For: FLUOROMETRIC ASSAY FOR) DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID) CLEAVAGE)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the divisional application identified in caption, kindly

amend the above-identified application as follows.

a fluorimetric assay comprising the following steps:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel all of original Claims 1 through 14, and substitute the following

claims therefor:

--15. A method for continuously detecting a specific nucleic acid sequence by

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